8. Intensified Jawahar Rozgar Yojana.
9. Employment assurance Scheme.
10. Integrated Rural Development Programme.
11. Development of Women and Child in Rural Areas.
12. Training of Rural Youth for self-employment.
13. National Social Assistance Programme.

(I) National Old Age Pension Scheme.
(II) National Family Benefit Scheme.
(III) National Meternity Benefit Scheme.

(c) There are three major poverty alleviation programmes being implemented throughout the country. These are Integrated Rural Development Programme (IRDP) which provides self-employment and Jawahar Rozgar Yojana (JRY) and Employment Assurance Scheme (EAS) which provide supplementary wage-employment to the rural poor.

While the total expenditure (Central sector) in the Seventh Plan in the rural development sector was Rs. 10,650 crores, the Central Plan outlay for rural development has been stepped upto Rs. 30,000 crores in the Eighth Five Year Plan.

Reduction of the price of the Refampicin

2709. SHRI RAJ NATH SINGH: Will the Minister of CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 2576 given in the Rajya Sabha on 25th August, 1995 and state:

(a) whether the reduction in the prices of anti-tuberculosis drugs were recommended much earlier wheresas the final decision in this regard was taken much later;

(b) if so, whether the delay in the reduction of formulations was made in connivance with the parties concerned and has resulted in windfall gains for Refampicin formulators; and

(c) if so, the steps taken by Government to probe into the matter and to ensure that the authorities concerned do not take any wrong decision in connivance with the officials of drug companies?

THE MINISTER OF CHEMICALS AND FERTILIZERS (SHRI RAM LAKHAN SINGH YADAV): (a) to (c). There has been no inordinate delay in reducing the price of bulk drug Rifampicin and formulations based thereon as the Rifampicin Policy for 1995-96 was under consideration during this period which had a bearing on the announcement of Rifampicin prices. The Rifampicin Policy was first announced in June, 1995 and correspondingly the price of bulk durg Rifampicin wass reduced from Rs. 5695 per kg to Rs. 5220 per kg. subsequently prices of the ceiling packs of Rifampicin formulations were reduced on 6.11.95 an those for non ceiling packs were reduced on 5.10.95 respectively.

Foreign Coaches in the Country

2710. SHRI V. HANUMANTHA RAO: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) the number of foreign coaches or trainers presently on contract with Government or Sports Authority of India;

(b) the details thereof;

(c) whether any efforts are being made to enhance the training capability for the forthcoming Olympics; and

(d) if so, the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS) (SHRI MUKUL WASNIK): (a) At present seven Coaches and one Training